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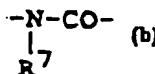
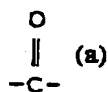
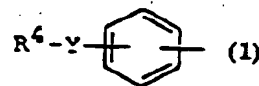
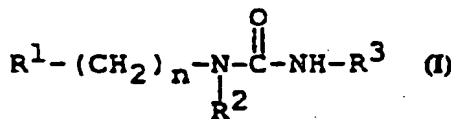
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(57) Abstract

Urea derivatives of formula
(I), wherein R¹ is a group of
formula (1) (in which R⁴ is
aryl which may have suitable
substituent(s), or heterocyclic
group which may have suitable
substituent(s), and Y is bond,
lower alkylene, -S-, -O-, (a),
-CH-, -CONH-, (b), (in which
R⁷ is lower alkyl), -NHSO₂-,
-SO₂NH-, -SO₂NHCO- or
-CONHSO₂-); or thiazolyl,
imidazolyl, pyrazolyl, pyridyl,
thienyl, furyl, isoxazolyl or chromanyl, each of which may have suitable substituent(s); R² is lower alkyl, lower alkoxy(lower)alkyl,
cycloalkyl, ar(lower)alkyl which may have suitable substituent(s), heterocyclic group or heterocyclic(lower)alkyl, R³ is aryl which may
have suitable substituent(s) or heterocyclic group which may have suitable substituent(s), and n is 0 or 1, and a pharmaceutically acceptable
salt thereof which are useful as a medicament in the treatment of hypercholesterolemia, hyperlipidemia and atherosclerosis.



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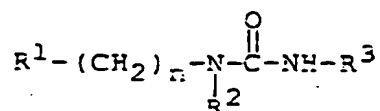
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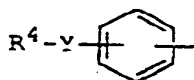
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1. A compound of the formula :



wherein

R^1 is a group of the formula :



(in which

R^4 is aryl which may have suitable substituent(s), or heterocyclic group which may have suitable substituent(s), and

Y is bond, lower alkylene, -S-, -O-, $-\overset{C}{\parallel}-$,
 $=CH-$, -CONH-, $-\underset{\substack{| \\ R^7}}{N}-CO-$, (in which R^7 is lower alkyl),
 -NHSO₂-, -SO₂NH-, -SO₂NHCO- or -CONHSO₂-);
 or

thiazolyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl, pyridyl, thienyl, furyl, isoxazolyl or chromanyl, each of which may have suitable substituent(s);

R^2 is lower alkyl, lower alkoxy(lower)alkyl, cycloalkyl, ar(lower)alkyl which may have suitable substituent(s), heterocyclic group or heterocyclic(lower)alkyl,

R^3 is aryl which may have suitable substituent(s) or heterocyclic group which may have suitable

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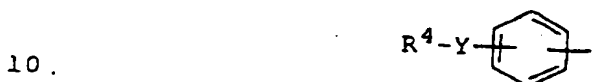
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substituent(s), and
 n is 0 or 1,
 and a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

2. A compound of claim 1, wherein
 R^1 is a group of the formula :



(in which

R^4 is phenyl which may have 1 to 3 substituent(s)
 selected from the group consisting of
 halogen, lower alkyl, di(lower)alkylamino,
 protected amino, cyano, heterocyclic group
 which may have mono(or di or tri)-
 ar(lower)alkyl, hydroxy, protected hydroxy
 and mono(or di or tri)halo(lower)alkyl;
 or thienyl, pyrazolyl, imidazolyl,
 triazolyl, pyridyl, pyrrolyl, tetrazolyl,
 oxazolyl, thiazolyl, oxadiazolyl,
 piperazinyl, thiazolidinyl or
 methylenedioxyphenyl, each of which may have
 1 to 3 substituent(s) selected from the
 group consisting of lower alkyl, mono(or di
 or tri)ar(lower)alkyl and oxo;

30 Y is bond, lower alkylene, -S-, -O-, $\overset{\text{O}}{\parallel}\text{-C-}$, =CH-,
 -CONH-, -N-CO- (in which R^7 is lower alkyl),
 $\underset{\text{R}^7}{|}$
 -NHSO₂-, -SO₂NH-, -SO₂NHCO- or -CONHSO₂-);
 or
 35 thiazolyl, imidazolyl, pyrazolyl, pyridyl,

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